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subscriber and the first anonymous identifier includes a respective user address of the telecommunications network.--

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please replace the abstract of record with the following new abstract:

--A method for establishing a connection from an initiating subscriber to a designated subscriber in a telecommunications network without providing the respective initiating subscriber with the permanent identifier of the designated subscriber includes assigning an anonymous identifier to the permanent identifier of the designated subscriber using a trust center. In order to establish the connection via the initiating subscriber while using the anonymous identifier, the anonymous identifier is recognized by an active switching center as an anonymous identifier and routed to the trust center. The trust center determines the assigned permanent identifier from the routed anonymous identifier and transmits the permanent identifier to the switching center. The switching center establishes the connection to the designated subscriber using the transmitted permanent identifier. The anonymous identifier may also be transmitted for a future return call to a called subscriber.--.

REMARKS

It is respectfully submitted that no new matter has been added.